



Hits and Misses

Force of Habit

The couple were married.
Alas and alack!
Hubby had failed to
Earn enough jack.

So the wife put her case
In the hands of the court,
And got her decree on the
Plea, non-support.

But the wise judge who handed
This pair a divorce
Was once a Marine on
The Headquarters Force.

On the back of the papers
He handed each one
He wrote: "Battles, engagements,
Skirmishes—none!"

Can You Beat This?

"I wish to congratulate the artist who selected my husband as a model for the drawing that heads this column. I recognized him in an instant. The shape of his nose and the contour of his legs are drawn wonderfully true to life."

—Mrs. Hash Mark.

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Good news for mess sergeants: California reports that the prune crop is unusually heavy this year.

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"What am I doing? I'm spinning a dime," said the Quantico Marine. "If it's heads, I'll go out in town on liberty. If it's tails, I'll take in the moving-picture show. And if the dime stands on edge, I'll stick around the quarters tonight and police up my equipment for inspection."

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Neutrality

The noise of what appeared to be a domestic squabble brought the two wayfarers to a halt. From inside the house they could hear a woman's voice pitched in a tone that was almost a scream.

"You drop that chair, you brute!" she demanded in a shrill treble voice, charged with emotion.

"Then you let go that rolling pin!" came back a reply in a more subdued masculine tone.

There was no mistaking the nature of the altercation.

"Let's go stop it," suggested one of the wayfarers.

"Nothing doing," said his companion. "I've got too much sense to get mixed up in one of those domestic disarmament conferences."

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"Claims he's a navigator, eh?" sniffed the skeptical Marine. "Why, that bird couldn't even bring his rifle to a port."

Fighting Tonnage

The fighting tonnage of the Marine Corps was increased by 335 pounds recently when Gunnery Sergeant James D. Turreziani re-enlisted. His No. 12 shoes, however, stand him in good stead. On a forty-mile hike in Haiti, he finished with two rifles, three packs and one exhausted recruit under his arm.

—New York Times.

Do You Believe in Dreams?

"Disarmament or no disarmament, after this enlistment I'm through!" said the chronic grouch as he slipped off his leggings in the barracks after a rather lively drill period.

"Funny that you should mention disarmament just as I was thinking of that very thing," commented his buddy, who was vigorously rubbing the stock of his rifle with an oily rag.

"You know, I had a dream last night," his buddy went on, "and I dreamt they had scrapped the whole works—army, navy, Marines and everything—all except a small detachment of Leathernecks, who had lined up at the pay table for the last time."

The grouch unbuttoned the top button of his shirt and took a look at his watch, mentally regretting that chow call was still a long way off. "Must have been some pipe dream," he growled.

"Maybe it was," said the buddy, as he removed the bolt from his rifle and took a free squirt through the barrel. "Maybe it was, but anyways there was that long line of sorrowful Marines, and amongst them was a bunch of guys I know. I saw 'Slim' and 'Red' and 'Spud,' and way down at the end of the line, hanging back as long as he could, was an old, gray-headed gent with hash marks up 'n' his elbow."

"I get you," said the grouch. "You're going to try and make out that that old gent with all the hash marks was me. Well, you're wrong!"

"I didn't say it was you," continued the dreamer, "but I want to say right now that I took a good, long look at that old guy and he sure looked enough like you to be your twin brother."

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Words and Music

A line the Gyrenes oft repeat
Is simply this: "When do we eat?"

Alas, police work must begin,
And so we hear: "Detail, fall in!"

The Top don't say this line with flowers:
"Put on your blouse for office hours!"

These words put non-coms out o' luck:
"Young man, you're busted to a buck!"

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Fully Supplied

First Marine—Doggoned if I know what to give the girl for Christmas this year.

Second Marine—Why don't you give her a book?

First Marine—You poor nut, she has a book!

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Thought it Was a Saloon

Bones—I just got a letter from a Marine at Constantinople, and he says he spent the whole summer hanging around the Golden Horn.

Jones—if he wants to save any money, he'll have to keep out of those gin mills.

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You May Have Noticed—

Scores of men have made a success in life by starting at the bottom of the ladder—but very few of them started as hod carriers.

There is hardly a man living who does not believe he would have made a bigger success in life had he devoted his time and talents to other lines.

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You can run away from the Marine Corps if you want to, but you can't run away from the conscience that keeps reminding you that you have run away.

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Many a man who believes he has sandbagged his conscience into insensibility wakes up some morning to find that old R. E. Morse is a cat with more than nine lives.

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They say that hell is paved with good intentions, and the mortar that keeps the paving in place is called procrastination.

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M. C. I. stands for Marine Corps Institute, and also for the phrase, Makes Capable Individuals.

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Money is the root of all evil; that's why so many reformers have tried so hard to get at the root of things.

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AN UNHAPPY STATE

(Acknowledgments to K. C. B.)

DEAR EDITOR.

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SEVERAL OF my buddies.

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HAVE BEEN wearing smiles.

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AND SHOWING me checks.

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THEY COLLECTED from States.

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THAT PAID a bonus.

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ONE OF THEM received.

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ONE HUNDRED dollars.

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A FEW DAYS ago.

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FROM NEW JERSEY and.

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ANOTHER BUDDY the same.

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AMOUNT FROM Massachusetts.

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STILL ANOTHER collected.

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FOUR HUNDRED and twenty.

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BERRIES from Michigan.

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I'M GLAD THEY got the money.

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AND I'M SURE they're proud.

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OF THEIR several States.

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NOW WHAT troubles me.

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IS NOT SO much the State.

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THAT I COME from.

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WHICH HASN'T PAID a bonus.

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BUT QUITE another state.

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WHICH SHOWS no improvement.

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THE STATE OF my Finances.

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I THANK YOU.

—Hash Mark.

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THE OTHER FELLOW'S JOB

Most of us would like to tackle some other fellow's job for a change. After the novelty of our recruit training has worn off and we settle down into the daily routine, we begin to get "fed up" with doing the same old thing over and over again.

We forget, however, that this little germ of restlessness is characteristic of men who follow every occupation under the sun.

The banker longs to break away from his ledger and go into the manufacturing business. The druggist looks longingly at the tailoring establishment across the street, and wonders why in the world Fate ordained that he should dispense pills and powders when he might have made a living as a designer of cutaway coats.

The baker envies the plumber and the shoemaker gets tired of his last. The farm appeals to the factory worker, while the farmer yearns to desert the soil for the city.

Caruso often confessed to an ambition to follow the profession of cartoonist, and his sketches show promise of success, had he elected to draw caricatures as a regular vocation.

The comedian whose wit keeps the audience in an uproar is frequently bored to death with his job, and many of them look eagerly toward the time when they can adopt some other means of earning a livelihood.

Big Money jobs are not always Big Happiness jobs as scores of the wealthy will assure you.

You who are serving temporarily as Marines while training yourselves for some vocation on the "outside," are bound to find in civilian life some of the unpleasant features and some of the restless moments that come to men of every occupation under the sun.

The thing to do is to stick valiantly at your job, whatever it may be, and make the best of it.

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That Virginia has more than a quarter of a million wage-earning women?

That wild cucumber plants in the Middle West are regarded as a menace to domesticated plants, through their disease-carrying properties?

That six thousand persons signed a petition to save the life of a dog which a London magistrate had ordered to be killed on account of its alleged ferocity?

That in Holland many women find employment in the brickyards? They stand out in the warmest weather smoothing the bricks and gathering them in great piles.

That Canada is to have a \$5,000,000 match factory which will be controlled by four of the biggest match manufacturing firms in Great Britain?

That in Bolivia 17 per cent of the towns are more than 13,000 feet above sea level?

That in the Faroe Islands women still use a rude spinning wheel introduced from Scotland in 1671?

That more than 99 per cent of the population of rural Brazil over 6 years of age is infected with hookworm?

That the bluest ocean water is found in the Sargasso Sea, where there are very few minute organisms to modify the natural color of the water?

That infanticide is so common in some parts of the New Hebrides and the Solomon Islands that in many families all children are killed and substitutes are purchased at will?

That to care for a predicted population of 150,000,000 by 1950, it is estimated that 243,000,000 acres of improved farm land must be added to the agricultural resources of the country?

That the consumption of water by railroads in this country has increased until it is now about 900,000,000,000 gallons annually, and on many systems a separate organization to operate the water supply is required?

That a committee of British botanists and horticulturists is preparing to publish a list of all the important pictures of plants of all species that have appeared in scientific literature? It will contain at least 225,000 entries.

That Darwin believed the peach was a modification of the almond, while other naturalists incline to the view that it is of Chinese origin and cultivated so that it has become a distinct species, but one of the interesting features of the fruit is that it has nowhere been found in a wild state?

That junks blown out to sea from China or Japan have frequently been carried by the Japan current and the prevailing westerly winds across to the American coast?

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BITS O' MUD FROM QUANTICO

By H. K.

We wish some of you Marines could have been in Quantico last week to learn what the expression "versatile Marines" really means. We've heard of Leathernecks performing all kinds of duty, from chasing bandits in Haiti, guarding the U. S. mails, and acting as orderlies to Presidents and Kings, but—Quantico has invented a new one, and the best part of all is the fellows enjoyed it. We won't keep you guessing any longer. On Wednesday 2,000 Marines in mass formation tramped up and down, up and down, on a muddy football field until what had been mud was hard, dry ground. And like it! Say, those fellows were the happiest bunch we have ever seen. They wanted that field ready for the game with the Navy team. BUT—all next day it poured. As one of our officers ably remarked: "It took the Lord Himself to beat those men." Anyway, we took the Navy team out on the parade ground and beat them just as well as we would have in the Stadium.

We are thinking of advertising the healthful mud baths at Quantico and going into competition with these "exclusive" sanatoriums you read about. We've got over 2,000 perfect specimens of good health to back up our advertising. Can any sanitarium say the same?

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The long-looked-for additional verse to the Marine Hymn has been written and all Quantico is singing it. It was written for the football game in Baltimore with the Third Army Corps Area champs and just about predicts what is going to happen. Here it is:

From the Barracks down at Quantico
To the field at Baltimore,
We are here to let the doughboys know
How the Devil Dogs can score.
We will let the whole Third Army see
Just exactly what it means
To buck a line that's guarded by
The United States Marines.

OFFICERS' DANCES

Captain Louis Fagan, of the dance committee, announces the following schedule of dates for the officers' dances which will be held at Red Cross Hall, at Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va., during the next two months: Friday, December 16, December 23, January 6, and January 20.

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MAIL-O!

By 1st Sgt. Percy Webb

Marines will be used to protect the mails against the robberies which have been occurring throughout the nation, and which occupied the attention of President Harding and his Cabinet this morning.—*New York Times*.

The banker wasn't worried
When he had bonds to send,
For he had read the tidings
That his troubles were to end.
"Put those bonds in the mail," he said;
"No one will dare to rob,
For everything is lovely when
Marines are on the job!"

"Mother," said the daughter,
"I might enjoy this trip,
But I'm afraid that bandits
Will steal my purse and grip."
"Hush, daughter! Do not worry,"
The mother softly said;
"U. S. Marines are riding
In the baggage coach ahead."

The engineer climbed in the cab
And threw the throttle wide,
Then shouted to the fireman:
"Hey, Bill! Just let 'er ride!
If those mail robbers stop us
They're goin' to learn some facts,
And, furthermore, they'll learn 'em
Where the chicken got the axe!"

The robber hand was waiting;
The train came round the bend,
But when they saw the Leathernecks
Their plans came to an end.
"Let's beat it!" said the bandits,
As they turned around to scoot;
"We're off of robbin' trains when the
Marines commence to shoot!"

PLACED ON RETIRED LIST

The below-named men were ordered placed upon the retired list on the dates set opposite their names:

Seder, Oscar, Sergeant Major, November 30, 1921.

Lesage, John E., Sergeant Major, December 15, 1921.

Limerick, William J., Q. M. Sergeant, November 30, 1921.

Influence of Character

A man who lives right and is right has more power in his silence than another has by his words. Character is like bells that ring out sweet music, and which when touched even accidentally resound with melody.

—Phillips Brooks.

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY

That the Marine Corps Institute is accomplishing a great work and that it has the confidence of its students is evidenced by the following extracts taken from some of the hundreds of letters that are received weekly by the different schools of the Institute.

This one is from a "recruiter" who is taking salesmanship:

"Since I have started taking this course, I have decided that it is well worth the time devoted to its study. I have become more enthusiastic with every lesson completed. I can realize that if one applies himself to this study, the benefit to be derived from it is unlimited."

This is from a "seagoing" Marine aboard the U. S. S. *Delaware* and shows that shipboard duty allows ample time for study:

"I am very well pleased with the results I have obtained from the Marine Corps Institute. I never before had an idea a person could get so much benefit from a correspondence course. When I first started, I thought: 'Oh, well, it doesn't cost me anything, so I guess it's worth trying.' But if I had known it was as good as it is I would have started long ago. From now on you can count on me as a booster of the M. C. I."

And this one from a lad down at Indian Head, Md., who sure hated to study when he was a youngster going to school, but who has since changed his notions when he enrolled in the Civil Service Course of the Institute. He's looking forward to the time when he gets paid off and will be looking for a job, and he knows that his honorable discharge from the Marine Corps counts a few points when he presents the knowledge acquired at the Institute to a Board of Examiners of the Civil Service Commission when he applies for one of those \$2,000 per annum jobs:

"The Civil Service Course I am now taking up is an excellent study and I find the text-books arranged so that a person of a limited education can easily understand them. When I was going to school I always found it disagreeable to study, and in plain words I hated to go to school. But since I have started this Civil Service Course I find it a pleasure to study, because it is so interesting and beneficial."

NOTE OF THANKS

Our sincerest thanks is extended through the columns of the LEATHERNECK to our many friends who sympathized with us on the recent loss of our little daughter.

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Sea Saws



A clever young flyer named Spears
Was equipped with a pair of large ears.
He was shot down one day
And his plane fell away,
So he just used his head, it appears.

—*The American Legion Weekly.*

Gob on Sand Street—Where is the man
who runs this restaurant?

Waitress—He's gone out to lunch.
—*The Arklight.*

Latin Instructor—Who is Cicero?
Student—Mutt's son.

—*G. H. S. Comet.*

Casey—Didja go to the prize fight last
night?

Murphy—Naw. D'you think I'm goin' to
pay out money and then let somebody else
have all the fun?

—*The American Legion Weekly.*

CPO at Morning Quarters—Put your hat
on square on your head. You don't see me
going around with my hat on the back of
my head, do you?

Boot—No, but you've got an anchor to
hold yours down. —*California Cub.*

Brooklyn Traffic Cop—You are under ar-
rest, sir.

Mr. Schumacher, driving his National—
What for?

Cop—For speeding—going forty miles an
hour.

Mr. Schumacher—Why, I haven't been
out an hour. Just came from the Navy
Yard.

Cop—That's one on me. Drive on.
—*The Arklight.*

Dumb—Bring the coal in before it gets
dark.

Bell—I thought that coal was always
dark. —*The Virginia Reel.*

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"What nationality is that prisoner?"
asked a visitor, making her first tour of the
county jail.

"Well, I'll let you guess for yourself,"
returned the keeper. "He's in here for
fighting with five civilians and two cops."

—*American Legion Weekly.*

The ocean merrily exclaimed,
"Incessantly I go;
I wonder that I don't get corns
Upon my under tow." —*Ex.*

Reciprocity

The minister was loud in his praise of
the fat and juicy bird his colored host
served for dinner, and finally he asked:
"Where did you get such a fine goose as
that?"

"Phahson," replied the host, "when you
preaches a good sermon Ah doan ax you
whar you got it. Ah hopes you'll have de
same consideration fo' me." —*Far Seas.*

Biology Prof.—John, can you tell me
something about the joints?

John—Sorry, sir, but I haven't been in
town long enough to look about.

—*The Willistonian.*

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The Navy Selection Board, headed by Admiral Robert E. Coontz, U. S. N., which met November 14 to fill four vacancies in the grade of rear admiral, twenty-six in the grade of captain, and sixty in the commanders', has completed its work and submitted its recommendations, which have been approved by the President.

The four captains selected to fill the vacancies in the grade of rear admiral are: Captain Rudolph de Steiguer, now hydrographer, Navy Department; Captain William Carey Cole, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations; Captain John Valentine Chase, commanding U. S. S. *Arizona*; Captain William Woodward Phelps, Chief of Staff, Naval War College, Newport, R. I.

The permanent commanders recommended for promotion to permanent rank of captain are as follows:

Frank L. Pinney, Frederick J. Horne, Alfred W. Johnson, Walter M. Hunt, Chauncey Shackford, Ralph E. Pope, Zachariah H. Madison, Charles P. Snyder, Joseph R. Defrees, John J. Hylan, Samuel W. Bryant, Edward S. Jackson, Henry L. Wyman, Julius F. Hellweg, Sinclair Gannon, Robert Morris, John D. Wainwright, George W. Steele, Jr., Stafford H. R. Doyle, John W. Timmons, Charles S. Freeman, Henry C. Mustin, William P. Cronan, William B. Wells, Paul B. Dungan (extra number), Hilary H. Royall.

Permanent lieutenant commanders recommended for promotion to permanent rank of commanders:

William H. Toaz, Turner F. Caldwell, Earl R. Shipp, Arthur W. Sears, Charles M. Austin, Walter B. Decker, John P. Miller, Harry L. Pence, Ferdinand L. Reichmuth, Harvey Delano, Walcott E. Hall, Isaac C. Kidd, Fred M. Perkins, Robert A. White, Frank H. Roberts, Lewis D. Causey, Andrew S. Hickey, Stephen Doherty, Randolph P. Scudder, Charles C. Hartigan, George A. Alexander, Edwin B. Woodworth, James P. Olding, Roland M. Brainard, Charles S. McWhorter, Sherwood A. Taffinder, John T. G. Stapler, Lesley B. Anderson, John S. McCain, Matthias E. Manley, Ronam C. Grady, Ruber L. Walker, Albert S. Rees, Alexander Sharp, Jr., Hollis McCoolley, Aubrey W. Fitch, Edward D. Washburn, Jr., Fred F. Rogers, Wilfred E. Clarke, Robert V. Lowe, Harold Jones, Claude A. Bonvillian, Edwin A. Walleson, William B. Howe, Claude B. Mayo, Hamilton F. Glover, Albert C. Read, George H. Bowdrey, Robert A. Theobald, William L. Beck, Garrett L. Schuyler, Alfred W. Brown, Jr., Charles F. Russell, Guy Baker, Willis W. Bradley, Jr., Miles A. Libbey, Raymond A. Spruance, Henry K. Hewitt, Felix X. Gygax, Guy E. Davis.

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Total number Individuals enrolled... 3804

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Commerce	285
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Business Management	45
Commercial Law	52
Higher Accounting	115
Railroad Accounting	9
Traffic Management	29
General English	503
Preparatory	136

Construction Schools

Agriculture	76
Poultry Husbandry	37
Domestic Science	11
Architecture	72
Drafting	110
Civil Engineering	144
Navigation	56
Textiles	6
Plumbing, etc.	52
Concrete Engineering	6
Structural Engineering	7

Industrial Schools

Automobiles	592
Chemistry	31
Mining & Metallurgy	27
R. frigeration	5
Pharmacy	7
Electrical Engineering	316
Telephony & Telegraphy	32
Steam Engineering	46
Mechanical Engineering	70
Shop Practice	48
Gas Engines	77

Publicity Schools

Salesmanship	164
Advertising	50
Foreign Trade	24
Window Trimming, etc.	6
Illustration and Design	86
Show Card Writing	25
Lettering, Sign Painting	22
Languages	169

Total..... 3804

Number of examination papers received during week..... 746

Total number of examination papers received..... 37505

MARINE CORPS ORDERS

November 25, 1921

2nd Lieut. Edward B. Selby.—Detached M. B., Quantico, Va., to U. S. M. C. Detached Guard Company, Chicago, Ill.

November 26, 1921

Major V. I. Morrison.—Detached M. B., N. Y. D., Mare Island, Calif., to Headquarters Marine Corps, Washington, D. C.

1st Lieut. E. A. Craige.—Upon expiration of present delay ordered to report to Department of Pacific, instead of M. B., Quantico, Va.

1st Lieut. L. A. Haslup.—Detached M. B., Parris Island, S. C., to U. S. M. C. Detached Guard Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

2nd Lieut. (Prov.) A. J. Schmalbach, Marine Gunner (Prov.) P. Ryan.—Honorable discharged from the Marine Corps Reserve.

November 28, 1921

Capt. Wm. M. Radcliffe.—Detached M. B., N. Y. D., Charleston, S. C., to U. S. M. C. Detached Guard Company, Atlanta, Ga.

Captain Herbert Hardy.—Detached M. B., N. Y. D., Philadelphia, Pa., to U. S. M. C. Detached Guard Company, Pittsburgh, Pa.

1st Lieut. R. H. Schubert.—Detached M. B., Quantico, Va., to U. S. M. C. Detached Guard Company, St. Paul, Minn.

November 29, 1921

Major R. W. Voeth.—Detached 1st Brigade, Haiti, to U. S.

2nd Lieut. W. W. Wensinger.—Detached Headquarters, Department of the Pacific, to M. B., N. Y. D., Mare Island, Calif.

November 30, 1921

Major A. B. Miller.—Detached Recruiting District of Chicago, Ill., to M. B., Parris Island, S. C.

Major R. L. Shepard.—Upon expiration of leave ordered to Recruiting District of Chicago, Ill.

1st Lieut. L. J. DeHaven, 1st Lieut. Wm. H. Harrison.—Upon arrival in U. S., ordered to M. B., Quantico, Va.

1st Lieut. Wm. K. MacNulty.—Orders to Santo Domingo revoked.

1st Lieut. Geo. A. Plambeck.—December 15, 1921, detached M. B., N. Y. D., Puget Sound, Wash., to M. B., N. S., Pearl Harbor, T. H.

1st Lieut. R. R. Robinson.—December 8, 1921, detached M. B., N. Y. D., Philadelphia, Pa., to Department of Pacific.

1st Lieut. Armor L. Sims.—Upon arrival in U. S., ordered to N. A. S., Pensacola, Fla.

December 1, 1921

1st Lieut. H. V. Hansen.—December 20, 1921, detached M. B., N. A. S., San Diego, Calif., to N. A. S., Pensacola, Fla.

MARINE MAIL GUARDS

BALK HOLD-UP PLANS

Action of the Postoffice Department in placing Marine guards on mail trains and trucks has had the desired effect of preventing a number of carefully planned projects to rob the mails according to reports to Second Assistant Postmaster General O'Shaughnessy, in charge of transportation for the department. Mr. O'Shaughnessy said the Marines had been requested after department agents had learned that raids on the mails were being planned throughout the country this winter. The Marines have already more than justified their presence, the official said.

One case in particular, where a planned robbery came to naught, it was said, was in Texas, where preparations for a hold-up were abandoned. Similar plans at other places also were frustrated and generally robbery of the mails has dropped notably, Mr. O'Shaughnessy said. There was evidence, he said, that some of the robberies had been as carefully planned on a big scale as was that recently in New York.—*Washington Post*.

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U. S. NAVY MAKES FIRST USE OF HELIUM IN AIRSHIPS

The Secretary of the Navy authorizes the following:

It is expected that the first flight trials of the Navy's non-rigid airship C-7, making the first practical demonstration of the use of helium, will take place about December 1 from the Naval Air Station, Hampton Roads, Va. It will probably be flown to Washington. This will be the first time in the history of aircraft that the envelope of the airship will be inflated with helium, an absolutely inert and non-inflammable gas.

The airship C-7 is one of the class of non-rigid airships built by the Navy in 1918 for the purpose of conducting anti-submarine operations during the war. The general characteristics of this class of non-rigid airships are as follows:

Gas capacity, 181,000 cu. ft.; length overall, 192 ft.; extreme height, 59 ft.; maximum diameter of hull, 42 ft.; extreme width (over fins), 53 ft.; speed, 60 m.p.h.; power plant, 2 Union 125-h.p. engines.

Helium, next to hydrogen, is the lightest gas known, and is therefore the only gas that can take the place of hydrogen in lighter-than-air craft. For military purposes it possesses an inestimable value over hydrogen in that it is non-inflammable and at the same time has 92 per cent of the lifting power of hydrogen. Helium is found in small quantities in the atmosphere, sea water, mineral waters, and in all mechanical and natural gases.

In so far as is known, however, an adequate supply for military and commercial purposes is obtainable only in certain natural gas fields within the continental limits of the United States. The United States, therefore, has a practical monopoly of the source of supply.

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NUTOLOGY

I saw a gum-drop on the street.
 I saw a side-walk without feet.

I heard a birch-bark in the park.
 I saw a moon-light up the dark.

I saw a shoe that lost its sole,
 Where even doughnuts came out whole.

I saw a lamp-post lots of mail,
 And saw an air-break out of jail.

I saw a cow-slip on some peels,
 And watched O'Sullivan rubber heels.

I saw a horse-fly off one day,
 And I think the chimney-flue away.

I saw a tropical-clime a tree,
 And felt the night-fall down on me.

I saw Dickens turn and Oliver Twist.
 Indeed, there is little that I have missed.

Except one very peculiar thing—
 I've never heard a wedding-ring.

—*The Searchlight.*

DO IT NOW

He was going to be all that a mortal should be—Tomorrow.

No one should be kinder or braver than he—Tomorrow.

A friend who was troubled and weary he knew,

Who'd be glad of a lift and who needed it, too;

On him he called to see what he could do—Tomorrow.

Each morning he stacked up the letters he'd write—Tomorrow.

And thought of the folks he would fill with delight—Tomorrow.

It was too bad, indeed, he was busy today; And hadn't a minute to stop on his way; More time he would have to give others, he'd say—Tomorrow.

The greatest of workers this man would have been—Tomorrow. The world would have known him, had he ever seen—Tomorrow.

But the fact is he died and he faded from view, And all he left when living was through Was a mountain of things he intended to do—Tomorrow.

—*Grit.*

MARINE BAND CONCERT PROGRAM

MARINE BARRACKS

Monday, December 5, 1921, at 3 P. M.

Symphony concert by the U. S. Marine Band Orchestra, William H. Santelmann, Leader; Taylor Branson, Second Leader.

Program

1. Overture—"FINGAL'S CAVE" *Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy*
2. Symphony No. 13, in G Major *Joseph Haydn*

Adagio.

Largo.

Menuetto, Allegretto.

Finale—Allegro con spirito.

3. (a) Melody *Charles G. Dawes*
- (b) Valse Triste *Jean Sibelius*
- (c) Polonaise. Opus 52, No. 8 *Alexander Glazounow*

4. Hungarian Suite. Opus 16 *Heinrich Hofmann*

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